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**LOCAL MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS TO PROVIDE CRITICAL CARE  
TO CHILDREN IN HAITI**

St. Paul, MN. No Time For Poverty, a local non-profit dedicated to ending the suffering of children living in poverty, is excited to announce that its first volunteer medical team is traveling to Port Salut, Haiti, Monday, May 18, 2009. The team will provide immediate and vital medical care to children currently living in abject poverty without access to even the most substandard healthcare.

It is a diverse team, consisting of several local and out-of-state medical professionals. Among them are St. Paul Regions' Physicians, Autumn Erwin and Matt Morgan; Emergency Medical Technician, Jennifer Pobuda; St. John's Hospital Pharmacist, Martin Elie; and St. Cloud Hospital RN, Sue Mikle.

Joining the team from out-of-state are COO of Partners in Health, Loune Viaud, Dr. Pierre Derosiers from Ariz., Dr. Marcela de Bonder of Boston, Mass., and a number of Haitian medical professionals living Haiti. Accompanying the team from No Time For Poverty is Co-Founder and RN, Jeff Boston, and Director of Operations, Lori Lindgren.

For many of these committed volunteers, this will be their first visit to Haiti and will no doubt, be a life-changing experience. Haiti is the poorest country in the western hemisphere where one in five children will die before their first birthday. The children of Port Salut are suffering and dying needlessly of disease and illness easily treatable in the United States.

No Time For Poverty believes that quality healthcare is a fundamental human right - that hunger, poverty and disease should be the fate of no child. Currently, the only hospital in the region turns away sick and dying children for their parents' inability to afford the substandard medical care it offers. No Time For Poverty's vision is the construction and operation of an outpatient pediatric clinic in Port Salut. Klinik Timoun Nou Yo (KTNY), Haitian Kreyol for 'Our Children's Clinic,' will provide quality medical, dental and same-day surgical care to approximately 20,000 children, up to 16 years of age, each year. At KTNY, no child will ever be turned away for their family's inability to pay. KTNY will also offer community education and a Comprehensive Community Outreach Program to provide treatment to children in remote areas. The dream of KTNY will soon become a reality as construction is scheduled to begin in June of 2009. For more information, please visit [www.notimeforpoverty.org](http://www.notimeforpoverty.org).

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